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themselves support it. Briefly, the study shows that our legislation in this field has been much too hasty and sweeping. To permit more intelligent and discretionary action by the state, Dr. Davenport advocates the creation of state eugenics boards, assisted by official physicians and field workers. Apart from the interest of this suggestion, the pamphlet is to be commended for its compact and convenient statement of the present status of legislation in this country with reference to marriage selection.

The Philippine Problem. By FREDERICK CHAMBERLIN. Boston: Little, Brown & Co., 1913. 12mo, pp. xiv+240. \$1.50.

Inasmuch as there has been and still is a difference of opinion as to the attitude which the United States government should take with regard to her possessions in the far East, this book should have many readers. It is well written, concise, but interesting, and well suited to the reader who wishes to get a general idea of the social and political conditions as they prevail in the Philippines today. The first chapter is devoted to the geography and history of the Islands before our occupancy. Subsequent chapters discuss the work done by the government of the United States and the work that still remains to be done. The author, who has spent some time in the Philippine Islands, is informed at first hand of affairs there, and is well able to give a statement of conditions that prevail. Unfortunately the military attitude is too strongly evidenced in the last chapter to suit the general reader, and is likely to weaken the influence of the book.

Race-Improvement or Eugenics. A Little Book on a Great Subject. By LA REINE HELEN BAKER. New York: Dodd, Mead & Co., 1912. 16mo, pp. 137. \$1.00.

The subtitle of this effusion is grimly true, except that the book is more off than on the subject. The author is one more of those who attempt to make eugenics stand sponsor for shallow personal views on any problem connected with the unbalancing subject of sex. The would-be reader may well be recommended not to waste time here when so many better books are available.